The Tax Foundation recently released their latest study showing that government at all levels is taking the biggest bite out of the Americans paychecks in the history of our country. What we need to do is what Washington should do. That is to only take that amount of money that we need to officially run this Government, and not one penny more.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO ATTEND THE FUNERAL OF THE LATE HONORABLE WALTER H. **CAPPS**

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PACKARD). Pursuant to the provisions of House Resolution 286, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the committee to attend the funeral of the late Walter H. Capps:

Mr. DELLUMS, California;

Mr. Gephardt. Missouri:

Mr. FAZIO, California;

Mr. BROWN, California;

Mr. STARK, California;

Mr. MILLER, California;

Mr. WAXMAN, California;

Mr. DIXON, California:

Mr. LEWIS, California;

Mr. MATSUI. California:

Mr. THOMAS, California;

Mr. DREIER, California;

Mr. HUNTER, California;

Mr. LANTOS, California;

Mr. MARTINEZ, California;

Mr. BERMAN, California;

Mr. PACKARD, California;

Mr. TORRES. California:

Mr. GALLEGLY, California;

Mr. HERGER, California;

Ms. PELOSI, California;

Mr. Cox, California;

Mr. ROHRABACHER, California;

Mr. CONDIT. California:

Mr. CUNNINGHAM, California;

Mr. DOOLEY. California:

Mr. DOOLITTLE, California;

Ms. WATERS, California;

Mr. BECERRA, California;

Mr. CALVERT, California;

Ms. ESHOO, California; Mr. FILNER, California;

Ms. HARMAN, California;

Mr. HORN, California; Mr. KIM, California;

Mr. McKeon, California;

Mr. POMBO, California;

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, California;

Mr. ROYCE, California;

Ms. WOOLSEY, California;

Mr. FARR, California;

Mr. RIGGS, California;

Mr. BILBRAY, California;

Mr. Bono, California;

Ms. LOFGREN, California;

Mr. RADANOVICH, California;

Mr. CAMPBELL, California;

Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, California:

Mr. ROGAN, California;

Mr. SHERMAN, California;

Ms. SANCHEZ, California;

Mrs. TAUSCHER, California;

Mr. Sensenbrenner, Wisconsin;

Mr. KENNEDY, Rhode Island;

Mr. JACKSON, Illinois;

Mr. JOHNSON, Wisconsin; and

Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, Virgin Islands.

ADDITION OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 2676

Mr. LINDER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the name of gentleman from Ohio [Mr. TRAFICANT] be added as a cosponsor to H.R. 2676.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the gentleman from Ohio will be added by the original sponsor as an additional cosponsor.

There was no objection.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,

Washington, DC, November 3, 1997. Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,

The Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit correspondence received from the White House on November 1, 1997 at 12:00 noon and said to contain a message from the President pursuant to the Line Item Veto Act (P.L. 104-130) transmitting a cancellation with respect to the Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE,

Clerk.

CANCELLATION OF SPECIFIC DIS-CRETIONARY BUDGET AUTHOR-ITY WITH RESPECT TO DEPART-MENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIA-TIONS ACT, 1998—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, pursuant to section 1025(a) of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, referred to the Committee on the Budget and the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with the Line Item Veto Act, I hereby cancel the dollar amounts of discretionary budget authority, as specified in the attached reports contained in the "Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998" (Public Law 105-66; H.R. 2169). I have determined that the cancellation of these amounts will reduce the Federal budget deficit. will not impair any essential Government functions, and will not harm the national interest.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, November 1, 1997.

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DECLARATION OF NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO THE GOVERNMENT OF SUDAN-MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 105-166)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message